

Troopers Investigating Pair of Carjackings – Newark

Newark – The Delaware State Police are investigating a pair of carjackings that occurred within a one hour time period early Monday evening.

The first incident occurred at approximately 5:35 p.m., Monday, October 28, 2019 at the rear of the Papa John's Pizza, located at 480 Peoples Plaza. A 20 year old male was about to enter his vehicle which was parked behind the Papa Johns, when he was approached by two male suspects, one of which was brandishing a handgun. The suspects demanded the keys to the victim's vehicle however he refused to comply and a struggle ensued. The victim was able to retain possession of his keys and after a brief struggle the suspects fled on foot towards Glasgow Avenue. The victim refused medical treatment for minor injuries sustained during the incident.

Approximately 55 minutes later, at 6:30 p.m., the same two suspects approached a 41 year old male, as he sat in his 2017 Honda Pilot, which was parked at the gas pumps at the Sunoco gas station, located at 2360 Pulaski Hwy. A handgun was again displayed and the suspects demanded the victim's keys and vehicle. The victim in this incident complied with the demand and turned over his keys to the suspects who then fled onto Pulaski Hwy., in the Honda. The victim was not injured as a result of the incident.

The initial investigations into both incidents determined that the same two suspects were responsible for both carjackings. They were described as follows:

Suspect #1: Black male, 18-25 years of age, 5'10"-5'11" tall, wearing a dark hooded sweatshirt and light colored pants.

Suspect #2: Black male, 20-25 years of age, 6'00" tall,

wearing all dark clothing.

No surveillance images are available at this time.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information is asked to contact detective T. Dukes of the Troop 2 Robbery Unit by calling 302-365-8412.

<http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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